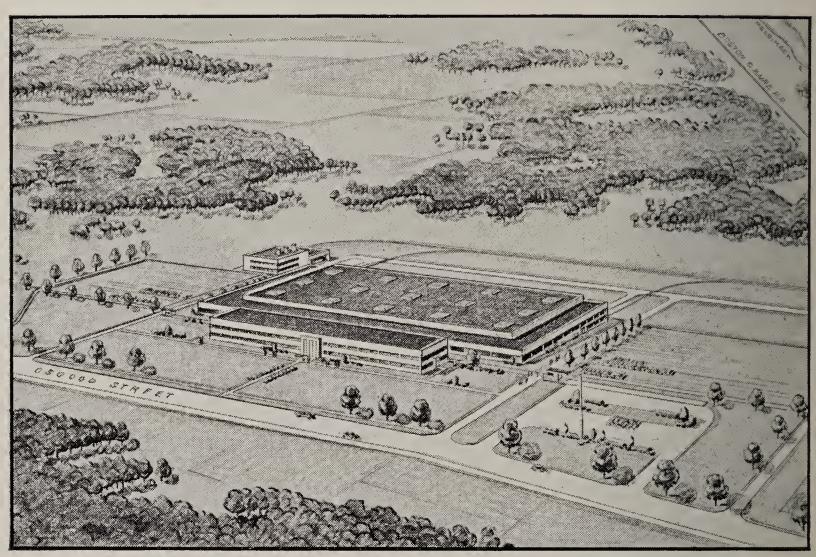
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Sketch of our new Merrimack Valley Plant at North Andover - now under construction.

We think this beautiful new Western Electric plant is the best way of saying we're glad to be here in the Merrimack Valley.

Though it's been a relatively short time since we moved to the area — to Haverhill in 1943 and to Lawrence in 1951 — we've grown to like everything about it . . . the communities, the people, our industrial and business neighbors, and our employees.

So, on the occasion of this Centennial Celebration, we would like to express our appreciation to you for being such good neighbors to us. We look forward to sharing and building Merrimack Valley's future with you.

Jesse Ault
MANAGER-MERRIMACK VALLEY PLANT



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MY CONGRATULATIONS GO TO ALL CITIZENS OF NORTH ANDOVER ON THE ONE HUNDREDTH ANNIVERSARY OF ITS INCORPORATION. I KNOW YOU WILL ENJOY YOUR OBSERVANCE OF THIS MILESTONE IN THE LIFE OF A HISTORIC COMMUNITY. TO ALL OF YOU I SEND GOOD WISHES FOR FUTURE PROGRESS=

:DWIGHT D EISENHOWER = . .

Welcome

The year 1955 brings to a close North Andover's first 100 years as a separately incorporated town. To celebrate the centennial, a committee has been authorized by the town to arrange a week-long series of activities, which will be held from June 5 to June 12 inclusive.

This booklet is published as a program guide for the convenience of townspeople and visitors, and as a keep-sake for all who may wish to possess a brief reference book of historical and statistical fact on the Town of North Andover. No attempt has been made here to provide a detailed, comprehensive history. Such a history is now being written and will be published later.

Prior to the official separation on April 7, 1855, this town was a part of the original town of Andover. It was, in fact, the original Town of Andover and was established in 1646.

So it is that not just 100 years, but more than 300 years of history form the glorious prologue to the North Andover of today and tomorrow.

A sincere welcome is extended to all who visit us on this occasion. All the facilities of the town will be made available to make the anniversary a truly memorable one for townspeople and visitors alike.



GEORGE L. DAVIS



WILLIAM SUTTON

Founders of North Andover's timehonored basic industries which have grown with, and aided the growth of the community, are pictured here: at top left, George L. Davis, co-founder of the Davis & Furber Machine Company; at top right, William Sutton, pioneer of the textile industry; and right, Capt. Nathaniel Stevens, founder of a textile empire.



CAPT. NATHANIEL STEVENS

Weaving A Community

The Centennial arrives for North Andover in a time alive with a sense of history.

The age of atomic power, with all of its potentialities for good or evil, has dawned. Defeated ten years ago in one form, the totalitarian concept of government, in another form called Communism, shadows mankind's aspirations for freedom and peace.

But there is great good in the world. The Salk vaccine has just been announced. Interest in religion is running high. Hospitals and schools are going up everywhere. Slums are being cleared. More people are moving into the suburbs. New homes are being built in unprecedented volume. Racial and religious intolerance are on the decline. Living standards are the highest in history.

Such is the national scene shared by the people of North Andover as they reflect upon what has gone before, and what the future may bring to their lives and community. The tenseness of the times—the "war of nerves" rising from the world situation— is real to them, but deeper still are their feelings of courage and hope and the will to achieve a better life.

In fact, most North Andover folks in this 100th year are too well occupied to worry unduly about outside forces. All of the long-established industries of the town are busy, and new industrial development is underway. Municipal growing pains present new problems to solve. Churches and civic organizations offer full programs to all. And to the average member of the community, family life is still fundamental, so he expends a great deal of effort and time with his family and his home property.

At mid-century, the Greater Lawrence community of which North Andover is part stood at the threshold of an economic renaissance. Textiles had been the city's chief industry, but several textile mills were closing. Some were moving south. Wise leaders saw the necessity of new effort to attract diversified industries into the vacant mill buildings of the city, and to seek the location of others in development sites in Greater Lawrence. This would restore job opportunities, help broaden the tax base, and tend to stabilize the economy against sharp fluctuations common to one industry. So they went to work.

Town Welcomes Great New Industry

The program brought results, and as 1955 unfolds the area appears well on the way toward reaching its objective.

North Andover responded to the challenge in 1953 when the Western Electric Company offered to build a new multi-million dollar plant in the town. Citizens filled Stevens Hall at a special town meeting and voted unanimously to grant the company's request for rezoning of land off Osgood Street for that purpose.

The steel framework of the new industry rises skyward today as the town pauses to observe its Centennial. There is an air of expectancy everywhere. An already sharp interest in new home development has been accelerated, and possibilities for bringing other new industries to town have been heightened. The problem of adjusting to this trend and coping with possible excessive expansion are taxing the efforts of town leaders.

But neither problems nor progress are new to this town. A glance through its history recalls many another occassion when its staunch citizens met the demands of the times.

Six Pounds and a Coat

In 1634 the Massachusetts General Court ordered "that the land about Cochichewick shall be reserved for an inland plantation, and whosoever will go to inhabit there shall have three years' immunity from taxes, levies, public charges and services whatever, military discipline excepted. John Winthrop, Richard Bellingham and William Coddington, Esquire, are chosen a committee to license any that they may think mean to inhabit there, and that it shall be lawfull for no person to go thither without their consent or the major part of them".

Land was purchased by Rev. John Woodbridge of Newbury in 1646 after lengthy correspondence with Governor Winthrop. A consideration in the purchase, according to record, was six English pounds and a coat, paid to the Indian Chief Cutshmache by Mr. Woodbridge.

The settlement was originally called Cochichewick Plantation. The name Cochichewick was of Indian origin, meaning "place of the great cascades". This was soon changed to Andover in honor of Andover, Hampshire County, England, the birthplace of several of the original freeholders.

The earliest roster of actual settlers gives the following names: John Osgood, Joseph Parker, Richard Barker, John Stevens, Nicholas Holt, Benjamin Woodbridge, John Frye, Edmund Faulkner, Robert Barnard, Daniel Poor, Nathan Parker, Henry Jacques, John Aslett, William Ballard, John Lovejoy, Thomas Poor, George Abbott, John Russ, Andrew Allen, Andrew Foster and Thomas Chandler.

Although Cochichewick settlement was primarily agricultural, factories were early encouraged to locate here, and several small industries such as grist mills, powder mills, saw mills and fulling mills were established. Water power afforded by Cochichewick Brook, running from the lake to the Merrimack River, was a resource appreciated by the pioneer manufacturers.

North Andover was destined to become a textile town, but the difficulties confronting the early settlers regarding the manufacture of cloth were numerous. The mother country did not encourage it on this side of the ocean. Money was scarce and tools and machinery were expensive. And the pioneers had little knowledge of the art. A number of them had brought over crude spinning wheels and hand looms, and these they set up in their homes to manufacture homespun.

Mill in Operation 153 Years

The first woolen mill established in old Andover was opened in 1802 by James Scholfield, on Cochichewick Brook in the North Parish. He continued his work in the small shop for more then ten years during which time he did a good business of carding wool for domestic weaving and manufacturing woolen cloth. He sold the business in 1812 and thereafter successive owners operated the plant until 1825 when William Sutton of Danvers acquired it. The plant was renamed Sutton's Mills and continues to be a thriving industry today, manufacturing woolen goods for the women's and men's wear apparel trades. This is believed to be the oldest woolen mill in America to have been in continuous operation. The original mill building, where Scholfield started in 1802, still stands now at the corner of Sutton and North Main Streets. It is occupied as a residence.

Stevens Industry Born Here

Captain Nathaniel Stevens engaged Scholfield to manage the mills then being erected by him upstream on Cochichewick Brook. These mills, opened in 1813, proved to be the origin of one of the nation's great modern industrial enterprises, J. P. Stevens & Company, Inc., manufacturers of many fabrics using wool, cotton and synthetic fibres. The local Stevens and Osgood Mills of the M. T. Stevens & Sons Company Division are currently active units of the corporation.

Origin of Davis & Furber

With the steady growth of industry in Andover came the need for better machinery. Jonathan Sawyer and Russell Phelps began making woolen machinery in 1832 in the basement of Abraham Marland's mill in the South Parish. The business passed to Charles Barnes, George H. Gilbert and Parker Richardson in 1836. They soon moved the shop to the North Parish on Cochichewick Brook, and this was the beginning of the present day Davis & Furber Machine Company. The first great period of development of this outstanding business emerged under the leadership of George L. Davis.

The Davis & Furber Machine Company continues an active place of leadership in the machinery building industry today, producing textile preparatory and finishing machinery, cards, card clothing and spinning frames—machinery known and respected the world over.

Forefathers Saw Need of Industry

Interesting for its applicability to the modern desire for industrial developement is an action of the town taken before the Revolution, setting up a committee which recommended "by all prudent means to endeavor to discontinue the importation and use of foreign superfluities and to promote and encourage manufactures in the town",

The forefathers, too, understood the necessity of industrial enterprises for the economic health of the community, and the danger of cheaply made imports competing with locally manufactured goods.

The coming of the Western Electric Company adds to the North Andover industrial community a leading national manufacturer in the field of electronics. The new plant, which is expected to be placed in operation in 1956, will manufacture carrier telephone equipment that has nation-wide application for long distance communication. Carrier telephony makes it possible to transmit many telephone conversations over one path or pair of wires and forms the backbone of the telephone and television networks interconnecting all parts of the country.

As this booklet goes to press, a proposal for further rezoning of land as a site for another new plant, this one being in the plastics industry, has been approved by the town.

Completing the industrial picture here are several smaller firms, including: Howard Food Products Co.; John Glennie, Inc., tallow makers; Wipex, Inc., manufacturers and distributors of wiping materials; Charles D. Glennie, dairy products.

Agriculture still has an important place in the North Andover economy. There are several large farms in operation in the town, producing milk, poultry, eggs, fruits and vegetables.

Religion Came First

From the earliest times the people of old Andover gave first place to religious worship and instruction. One of the great dramatic moments of the town's history came in the early part of the eighteenth century. The problem of repairing and enlarging or relocating the Congregational Church building, then situated in the northern and original part of the town, confronted the citizens. It was agreed to build a new meeting house, but serious differences arose over the location. The question was debated at several town meetings, from 1705 onward. By this time the population in the southern part of the town had gained in strength.

Division Began in 1709

Eventually the majority of the voters favored a new church site in the southern part. This was unsatisfactory to the folks of the northern part. The dispute came before the General Court, and in 1709 two parishes were set off, the North and the South. The growth of the two different communities of interest led finally to the separation of the parishes in 1855, as two distinct townships.

Today's Churches

The North Parish Church, originally Congregational and later Unitarian in denomination, was founded in 1645. Rev. John Woodbridge was the original pastor, or teacher as he was called.

In 1834 a group withdrew from the North Parish Church because of its Unitarian leanings, and organized the Trinitarian Congregational Church. Their first pastor was Rev. Jesse Page.

Methodism commenced in North Andover in 1845 when Rev. Stephen G. Hiler held services and organized the First Methodist Church.

St. Michael's Parish was founded in 1868 as a mission and in 1900 as an independent parish. Rev. James Gildey was the first pastor.

St. Paul's Episcopal Church was formed as a mission in 1880 and as an independent parish in 1888. Rev. Augustine Amory was the first minister.

The contribution of all five churches to the spiritual life of North Andover are immeasurable. All are active today, not only in matters spiritual, but in the creation of opportunities for people, especially young people, to participate in wholesome recreational and cultural programs.

In a sense, they are the conscience of the community. It would not be possible to attempt to describe here anything of the long list of achievements in which the five churches have had a part.

Organizations too numerous to list are active in all the churches. Building programs have been accomplished or projected in all five parishes. At St. Michael's, one of the great forward steps of recent years was the founding of St. Michael's School, a step which will soon be augmented with the construction of a new additional school building. The North Parish Church, too, is planning further progress by the building of an educational addition to the church. A few years ago the Methodist Church took the step by building a parish hall. St. Paul's and Trinitarian Congregational Churches have had their expansion and improvement programs in previous years.

Current pastors of these churches are: St. Michael's, Rt. Rev. Msgr. Francis L. Shea; Trinitarian Congregational, Rev. Clinton W. Carvell; St. Paul's Episcopal, Rev. Alexander S. Twombly; First Methodist, Rev. Donald D. Douglass; North Parish, Rev. Ernest A. Brown, Jr.

Grade Schools to College

North Andover's early school history is similar to many another New England community. In recent years its educational system has progressed with the construction of a new high school building, a new elementary school and two additions to existing elementary schools.

The town is the home of Brooks School, a boys' preparatory school of Episcopalian influence, founded in 1927. Frank D. Ashburn is headmaster, a position in which he has served since the founding.

Merrimack College, co-educational, conducted by the Augustinian Fathers, was founded here in 1947. Very Rev. Vincent A. McQuade, O.S.A., is president of the college, and has served in this position since the beginning.

In North Andover also is Campion Hall Retreat House, established in 1937 by the Jesuit Fathers, with Rev. Leo J. O'Keefe as present superior, and Rolling Ridge Methodist Conference Center, founded in 1948, with W. Albert Lotz as present executive director.

Boston University established a conference center in 1954 on Osgood Hill, North Andover,

A public library was opened in the town in 1875. This became the Stevens Memorial Library in 1907 through a gift of the Hon, and Mrs. Moses T. Stevens. Miss Marian F. Batchelder is present librarian.

Many Answered Calls to Wars

In every war, from the earliest days down to the present, North Andover folks have done their full share. A long line of distinguished sons and daughters have gone forth from the town, many to face death for their country's causes. Their service has included the Indian Wars, the Revolution, the Civil War, the Spanish American War, World War I, World War II, and the Korean War. Many others have made great contributions to the arts and sciences, the religious, professional, business, labor and public life of a peaceful world, at home and elsewhere.

The heroic quality of these people has been exemplified time after time after time. They are the greater part of a heritage to which the North Andover of 1955 owes so much.

North Andover is richly endowed with organizations, civic, social, religious, labor, fraternal, and political. Together with the churches, they form the foundation for a vigorous community spirit.

Apart from the church organizations, some of these active bodies are the Grange, American Legion and Auxiliary, Veterans of Foreign Wars and Auxiliary, Eclectic Club, Historical Society, Improvement Society, Charitable Union, local units of the CIO and AFL, Taxpayers' Association, Boosters' Club, Board of Trade, Parent-Teacher Associations, and Woman's Club.

This, in brief, is North Andover, old as the days of the Pilgrim Fathers, young as the Spirit of '55, with a vision of new horizons and a capacity to achieve new goals.





THE COMMONWEALTH OF MASSACHUSETTS EXECUTIVE DEPARTMENT STATE HOUSE, BOSTON

April 11, 1955

To the People of North Andover:

It is a privilege for me to extend the official greetings of the Commonwealth and my own sincere best wishes to the people of North Andover as you celebrate the 100th anniversary of the incorporation of your town.

While your community has undergone many changes during the past century, I do not suppose that any period of change in its history has been as significant as the past decade. Since World War II, North Andover has seen a rapid increase in its population. The tremendous new industrial plant now under construction by the Western Electric Company provides another significant change, and one which will provide employment for many hundreds of North Andover citizens. Also of great significance is the rise of North Andover as a center of education, with several very important new developments in this field.

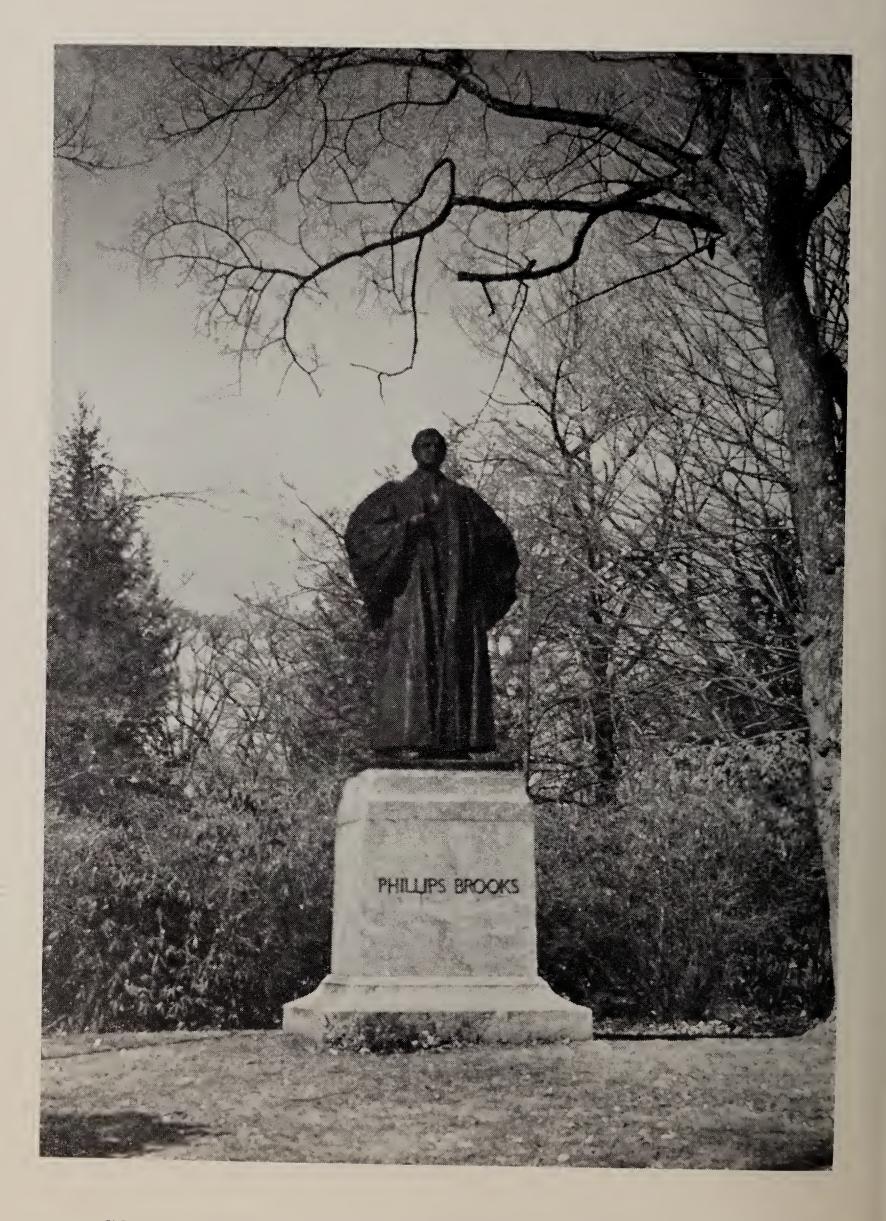
With these changes have come problems similar to those confronting many of our communities with rapidly growing populations but the people of North Andover have met these problems in an intelligent manner. The construction of a fine new high school and new elementary school buildings shows that the townspeople are determined to provide the best possible education for their children.

May I congratulate North Andover on its accomplishments during the past one hundred years and wish for the town the greatest of success and happiness in the centuries to come.

My warmest personal regards.

Sincerely,

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United States Senate

COMMITTEE ON ARMED SERVICES

April 18, 1955

Citizens North Andover Massachusetts

Dear Friends:

I am certainly pleased to send to the citizens of North Andover my hearty congratulations and every good wish on the occasion of the North Andover Centennial Celebration.

Few communities in Massachusetts, or indeed New England, have been more splendidly representative of the finest traditions of our country than has North Andover.

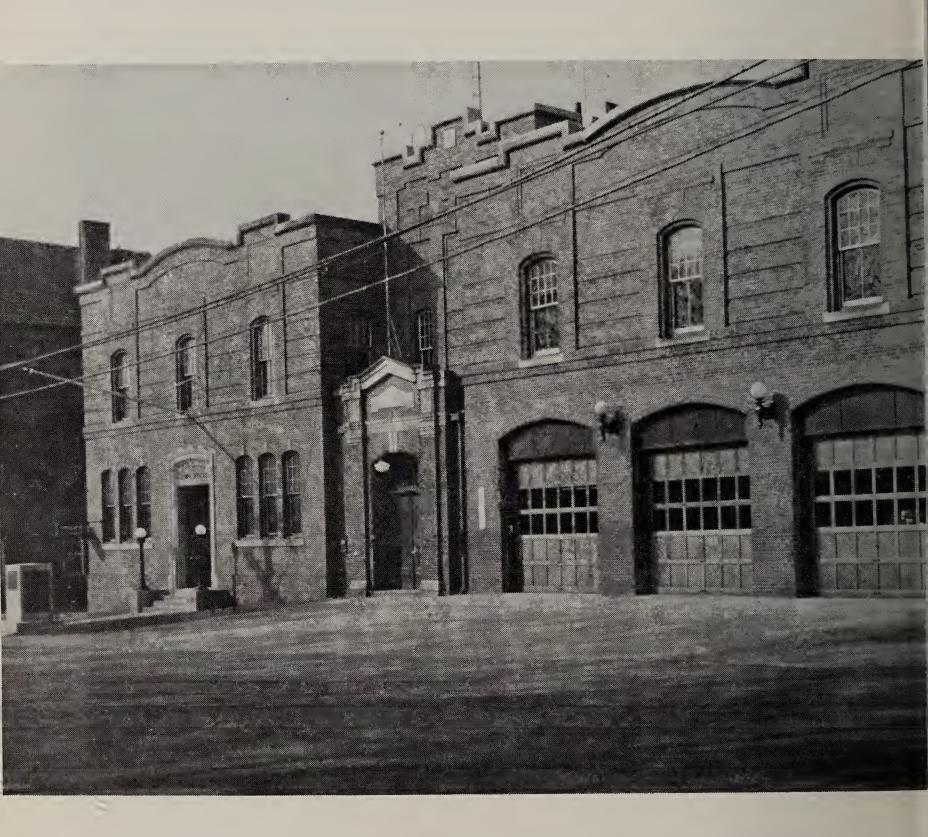
Whether it be in education, in business activity, in social and community relationships, or in fields of cultural endeavor, North Andover has always stood for the very best that we know.

A Centennial Celebration always marks a century of both accumulated experience and achievement. This is true of North Andover, but it is equally true, I know, that this celebration marks, even more importantly, many decades more of further achievement in every area of community activity and of inspiration to us all.

Sincerely yours,

Leverett Saltonstall United States Senator

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TOWN OFFICE BUILDING AND FIRE STATION

The town's adminstration offices are located in the Town Office Building on Main Street, on either side of which are the headquarters of the police and fire departments, while to the rear are the service yards of several municipal departments. Shown in the photo above is the three-stall fire station with the town office building at left, in front of which is the World War II Memorial tablet.

Roster of Elected Town Officers

1955

Listed below are the 1955 elected town officers of North Andover, who are the continuation of a long line of faithful public servants.
Moderator Attorney Arthur A. Thomson
Town Clerk John J. Lyons
Town Treasurer James J. Maker
Tax Collector James H. Dewhirst
Selectmen—Raymond Broadhead, Arthur P. Kirk, William A. Finneran
Board of Public Welfare—Raymond Broadhead, William A. Finneran, Arthur P. Kirk
Highway Surveyor Ira D. Carty
Tree Warden John J. Connors
Board of Assessors—Henry E. Lund, Edward W. Phelan, Marguerite Soucy
Board of Public Works—Irving C. Howes, Francis B. Kittredge, Joseph D. Sullivan
Board of Health—R. George Caron, George E. Jewett, Dr. Julius Kay
School Committee—Dr. Fred C. Atkinson, Mrs. Caroline M. Ingram, Roger B. Merriman, William F. Rock, Atty. Charles W. Trombly
Planning Board—James M. Bannan, Atty. Ralph E. Finck, Howard Gilman, Nicholas F. Nicetta, John B. Osgood
<i>Housing Authority</i> —Bernard W. Bingham, Raymond Broadhead, Irving C. Howes, Atty. John A. McNiff, Edwin C. Murphy

Elected State and County Officers 1955

Constables—Gasper J. DeMario, Archie M. Gourley, Frank P. Howard,

Alexander Ness, Jr., Augustine J. Walsh

The honor of serving in higher elective public office has been conferred upon North Andover citizens occasionally through the years. In this Centennial Year, this honor is held by Atty. Arthur A. Thomson, Member of the Governor's Council, and John J. Costello, Essex County Register of Probate,



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United States Senate

WASHINGTON, D. C.

May 4, 1955

William A. McAloon, Chairman Centennial Committee Town of North Andover North Andover, Massachusetts,

Dear Mr. McAloon:

It gives me great pleasure to extend through you to the people of North Andover my heartiest congratulations upon the occasion of North Andover's Centennial Year.

In the hundred years of its existence as a corporate community, North Andover has made many contributions of great significance to the historical, economic, and civic development of our great Commonwealth of Massachusetts.

It is true that, particularly in recent years, North Andover as a community has undergone many changes, and the promise of the future for your typically New England town can be evidenced by the construction now underway of the multi-million dollar Western Electric Company plant.

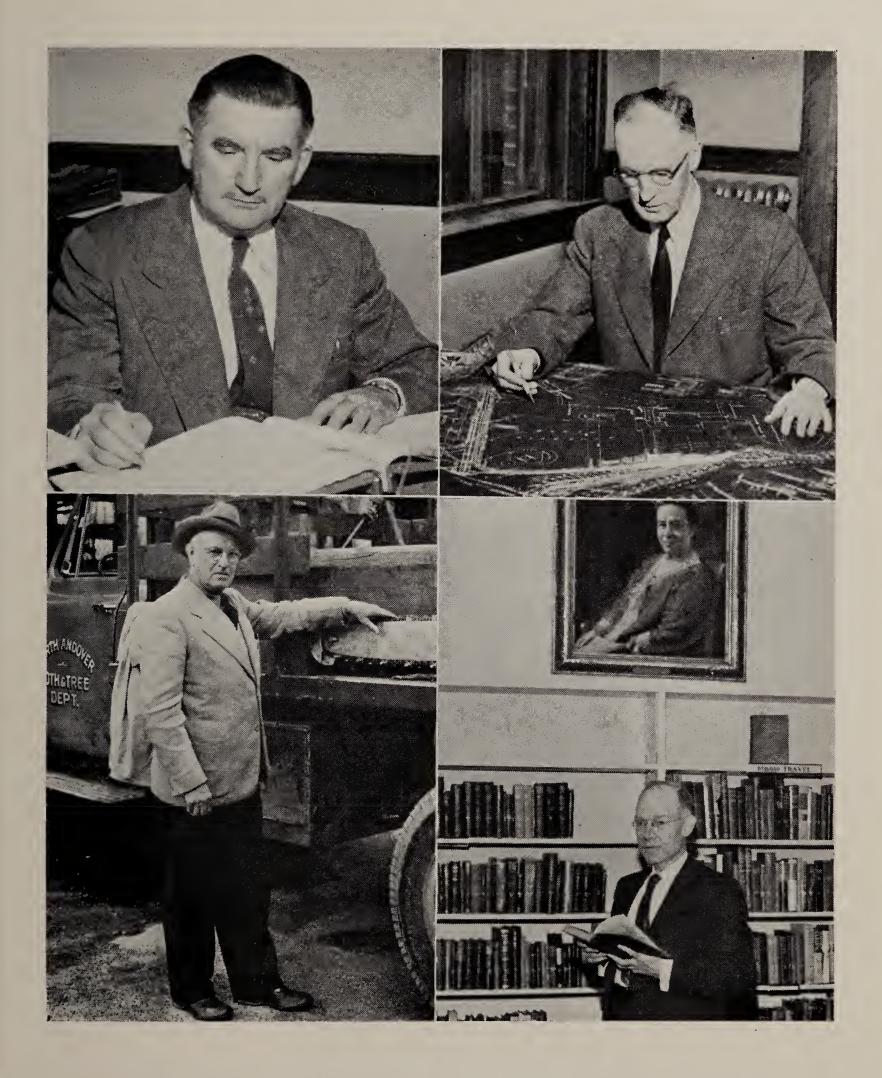
Qualities other than economic prosperity, however, have marked throughout the years North Andover and its citizens. The growth of its educational facilities and its ever-increasing emphasis on religious and civic activities presently does, and has over the years, distinguished North Andover as a community which has achieved the highest traditions of Christian Americanism.

It is my deep and confident hope that in the centuries ahead, North Andover will continue to grow and prosper as it has in the past. Again, my sincere felicitations to you and all the citizens of North Andover on the celebration of North Andover's Centennial Year.

John F. Kennedy

JFK: jm





Familiar faces among North Andover's official family are shown on these pages. Left page, at top, the Board of Selectmen: Chairman William A. Finneran, Raymond Broadhead and Arthur P. Kirk. Center, left, Fire Chief, James P. Daw, Jr., and at right, Police Chief Alfred H. McKee. Lower left, Tax Collector James H. Dewhirst, and right, Town Clerk John J. Lyons. Above. top left, Town Treasurer James J. Maker; right, Superintendent of Public Works William B. Duffy. Lower left, Tree Warden John J. Connors, and right, Superintendent of Schools Francis J. O'Brien, shown in North Andover High School Library standing beneath the memorial portrait of the late Miss Annie L. Sargent, for more than 50 years teacher and principal of Johnson High School which served the town until the Centennial year.

FOR CENTENNIAL OBSERVANCE

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FOR CENTENNIAL OBSERVANCE

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Mrs. Robert L. Riley

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Mrs. Fred D. Whittier

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Bounding on historic North Andover Common are two beautiful memorials. The Samuel Dale Stevens Memorial Museum and The Cottage of the North Andover Historical Society (above), and the Kittredge Memorial fountain and tablet, honoring a dynasty of doctors.



SUNDAY, JUNE 5th RELIGIOUS SERVICES

MORNING . Masses at St. Michael's Church will be offered in honor of the Centennial Year.

8:00 P.M. . . Community Vesper Service in Veterans' Memorial Auditorium, North Andover High School.

SHOOT AND EXHIBIT

9:30 A.M. . . Turkey Shoot and Antique Gun Exhibit at Leland's Pasture, Great Pond Road.

MONDAY, JUNE 6th TORCH LIGHT PARADE

9:00 P.M. . . Starting and ending at Carnival Grounds, torchlight procession through down-town streets of town.

TUESDAY, JUNE 7th ROAD RACE

5:30 P.M. . . Five mile Road Race, starting at Bradstreet School, Main Street, and ending at Carnival Grounds, Chickering Road and East Water Street.

BLOCK PARTY

8:00 P.M. . . Block Party on Main Street in front of Town Building.

WEDNESDAY, JUNE 8th STUDENTS' TRACK MEET

1:30 P.M. . . At North Andover High School.

Track and field events for elementary and high school students.

CHILDREN'S SPECIAL PROGRAM

7:00 P.M. . . At Drummond Playground, North Andover Center.
All elementary school children in the town will
participate in the following program:

Royal Procession

Crowning of Prince and Princess

May Pole Dances Historical Pageantry

Specialty Dance

Presentation of \$100 Gift of School Children to Boston Museum of Science for Chair in Hayden Planetarium

Birthday Cake Ceremony.

Human Birthday Card Greeting

(The superintendent of schools, principals of all public elementary schools, and Sister Superior of St. Michael's School are co-operating in this program.)

WEDNESDAY, JUNE 8th

HISTORICAL DRAMA

8:30 P.M. . . Performance of play, "A Gentlewoman in New England" at Veterans' Memorial Auditorium, North Andover High School. This historical drama on the life of Anne Bradstreet, written by Mrs. Alvah G. Hayes, is sponsored by the North Andover Woman's Club. Admittance free.

THURSDAY, JUNE 9th

SPORTS EVENTS

2:30 P.M. . . Foul Shooting contest at Bradstreet School, Main Street.

5:30 P.M. . . Old Timers' baseball game at Grogan's field.

BLOCK PARTY

8:00 P.M. . . Block Party on Park Street in front of V.F.W. Hall.

FIREWORKS

10:00 P.M. . . Fireworks display at Carnival Grounds, Chickering Road and East Water Street.

FRIDAY, JUNE 10th

LITTLE LEAGUE GAMES

4:00 P.M. . . Little League baseball games at Waverley Playground, Massachusetts Avenue.

COSTUME BALL

8:00 P.M. . . At North Andover High School gymnasium.

Centennial Costume Ball with Sammy Eisner's orchestra. Old time concert from 8:00 to 9:00. Modern

and old-fashioned dancing from 9:00 to 1:00, with grand march and awarding of prizes for costumes.

SATURDAY, JUNE 11th

HISTORICAL ACTIVITIES AT CENTER

MORNING:

9:00 to 12:00 . At Drummond Playground and Community Center. Athletic events for children and grownups. Prizes.

AFTERNOON

2:00 . . . At North Parish Church.

The enacting of a meeting to hear the reading of the Proclamation which made North Andover a separate township in 1855. Principal participants represented by descendants with many others in costumes of period.

SATURDAY, JUNE 11th

3:00	•	Band Concert on Common
		Walter G. Gerstenberger, Conductor.
2:00 to 5:00	•	North Andover Garden Club.
		Open houses and gardens (complete list below)
2:00 to 5:00		North Andover Historical Society.
		Open House at Bradstreet House and Steven Memorial Museum with special exhibits.
2:30 to 5:00		At Hay Scales Exchange.
		Exhibition and demonstration of handcrafts.
2:30 to 5:00	•	At North Parish Church.
		Special exhibits and refreshments.
2:30 to 5:00		At Grange Hall.
		Hobby Show, exhibit and refreshments.
2:30 to 5:00	•	At Cochichewick Lodge building.
		Exhibits and refreshments.
EVENING:		
7:30 to 11:00		Square dancing in Center.

SATURDAY, JUNE 11th

NORTH ANDOVER GARDEN CLUB Open Houses and Gardens from two to five

Mrs. John G. Coolidge					
137 Andover Street			•		(Garden only)
Mr. and Mrs. Harry R. Dow, Jr.					•
114 Academy Road					Built in 1820
Mr. and Mrs. Roland B. Hammon					
169 Andover Street				•	Built in 1836
Mr. and Mrs. Francis B. Kittredge					
56 Academy Road	•	•	•	•	Built in 1784
Mr. and Mrs. Edmund F. Leland,	Jr.				
11 Marbleridge Road	•	•	•	•	Built in 1680
Mrs. Mary S. Ramsdell					
49 Sutton Hill Road					
Dr. and Mrs. Horatio Rogers					
580 Osgood Street		•	•	•	Built in 1799
Mr. and Mrs. Abbot Stevens					
623 Osgood Street		•	•	•	(Garden only)
Mrs. S. Brooks Thomas					•
168 Osgood Street				•	Built in 1752

Including refreshments at barn of Mr. and Mrs. Walter M. Whitehill, 44 Andover Street (Nominal admission fee)

SUNDAY, JUNE 12th

CENTENNIAL PARADE

1:00 P.M. . . Centennial Parade, forming at North Andover Center.
Route: Andover Street to Osgood Street to Main
Street to Waverley Road to Middlesex Street.

Prizes for musical units and drill teams. Judges stand at Town Building, Main Street.

DINNER

6:30 P.M. . . Centennial Dinner, at North Andover High School gymnasium.

Norman R. Abrams, Assistant United States Postmaster General, will be the principal speaker.

JUNE 6th through JUNE 11th

INDUSTRIAL EXHIBITION

Daily from 1:00 to 5:00 P.M. there will be an exhibition of the products of North Andover industries at Stevens Hall.

JUNE 6th through JUNE 12th

The carnival will be conducted daily during Centennial Week at the Carnival Grounds at Chickering Road and East Water Street.

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FIRST AID STATIONS

All events of Centennial Week will be covered for emergency first aid treatment by Red Cross instructors. Emergency stations will be set up at the following locations:

Bradstreet School, Main Street near Railroad Square
Fire Station, Main Street
Stevens Memorial Library, Main Street near Elm Street.
North Andover High School, Main Street at Chickering Road
North Parish Church Vestry, at the Center.

Congress of the United States

House of Representatives

Washington, D. C.

April 22, 1955

Friends and Neighbors of North Andover:

You have abundant reasons to be proud, and happy, and confident, as you celebrate the 100th Anniversary of North Andover as an incorporated Town.

Proud...that some of the earliest colonists preferred this location for their brave adventure in freedom.

Happy...with your glowing present, as new homes, new schools, and new industries single out North Andover as a good and progressive place in which to work and live.

Confident...because the great traditions of your past nourish you with the pioneering spirit that assures a most promising future.

As your Representative in the Congress of the United States, I bring you the Nation's congratulations.

To a fine community...that is a model of the virtues and accomplishments that we value as Americans.

Sincerely yours

Statistically Speaking

The town of North Andover is situated in Essex County in the northeastern section of Massachusetts. It nestles along the southeastern shore of the Merrimack River, and the eastern shore of the Shawsheen River. It is bordered by Andover, Lawrence, Methuen, Haverhill, Boxford, Middleton and North Reading, and lies geographically 24 miles north of Boston, 33 miles south of Manchester, N. H., and 243 miles from New York City.

North Andover covers 26.63 square miles of typically beautiful New England countryside, with several ponds and Lake Cochichewick, embracing 560 acres, source of the town water supply. The town is long and relatively narrow in contour, with several prominent hills of around 300 feet elevation. There is good textured soil, moist and well adapted to agriculture in many parts. Elevation above sea level is 100 feet at the town building. The latitude of North Andover is 42 degrees, 40 minutes, and the longitude is 71 degrees, 7 minutes.

A population of 8,485 was recorded in the 1950 census. There has been a considerable increase since that year, and the town appears to be on the threshold of further growth. According to the 1950 figures, the density of population is 319 persons per square mile.

Registered voters as of September, 1954, totalled 5831. In the 1954 primaries, 1561 voters declared themselves Republicans, and 923 declared themselves Democrats.

A portion of the Harold Parker State Forest is located in North Andover, with outdoor recreational resources available to all. The town itself maintains several parks, playgrounds and a bathing beach.

The town operates under the town meeting form of government and is a part of the Seventh Massachusetts Congressional District, the Fourth Essex State Senatorial District, and the Fifth Essex State Representative District.

Latest available figures indicate that the town's per capita valuation is about \$100.00 above the state average for communities with a population of 5,000 to 10,000, and the per capita tax levy about \$4.00 less than the state average for the same group. The pupil-teacher ratio in the public schools is 26.6 as against a state ratio of 26.8, and the average expenditure per pupil is about \$13.00 less than the state average. The average estimated cost of new dwellings in North Andover is \$500 above the state average.

The last available complete figures (1952) show 105 firms doing business in town, employing 2,274 persons, with an annual payroll of \$7,675,000.

There are approximately 253 retail trade establishments in North Andover. There are overall excellent transportation facilities by rail, bus, auto-truck, and air, connecting to anywhere in the world, and ocean travel facilities easily accessible. The Lawrence Muncipal airport is situated in North Andover.



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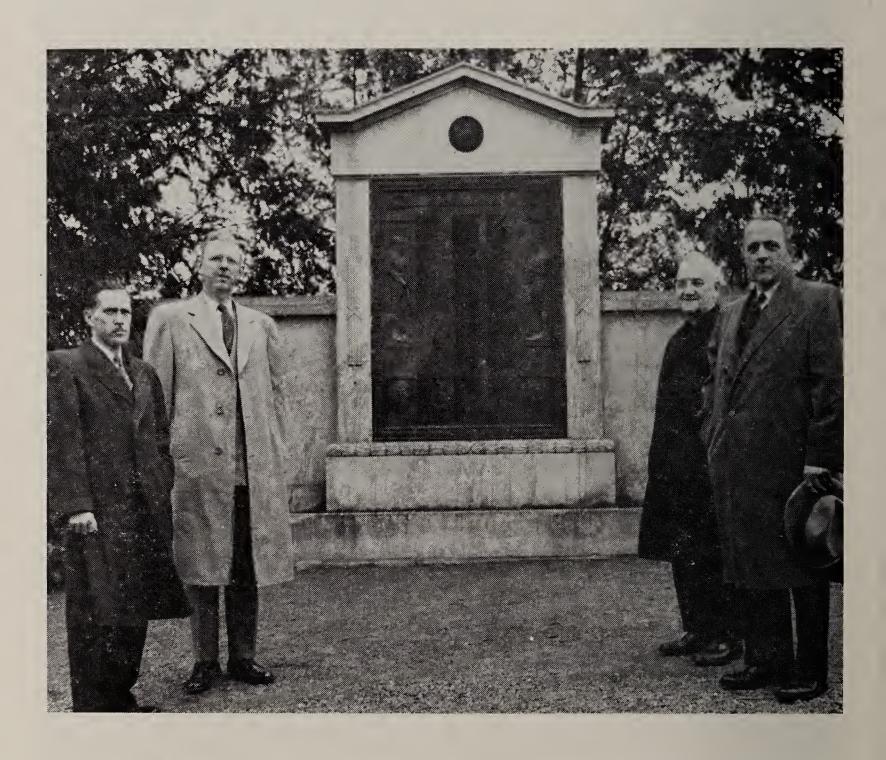


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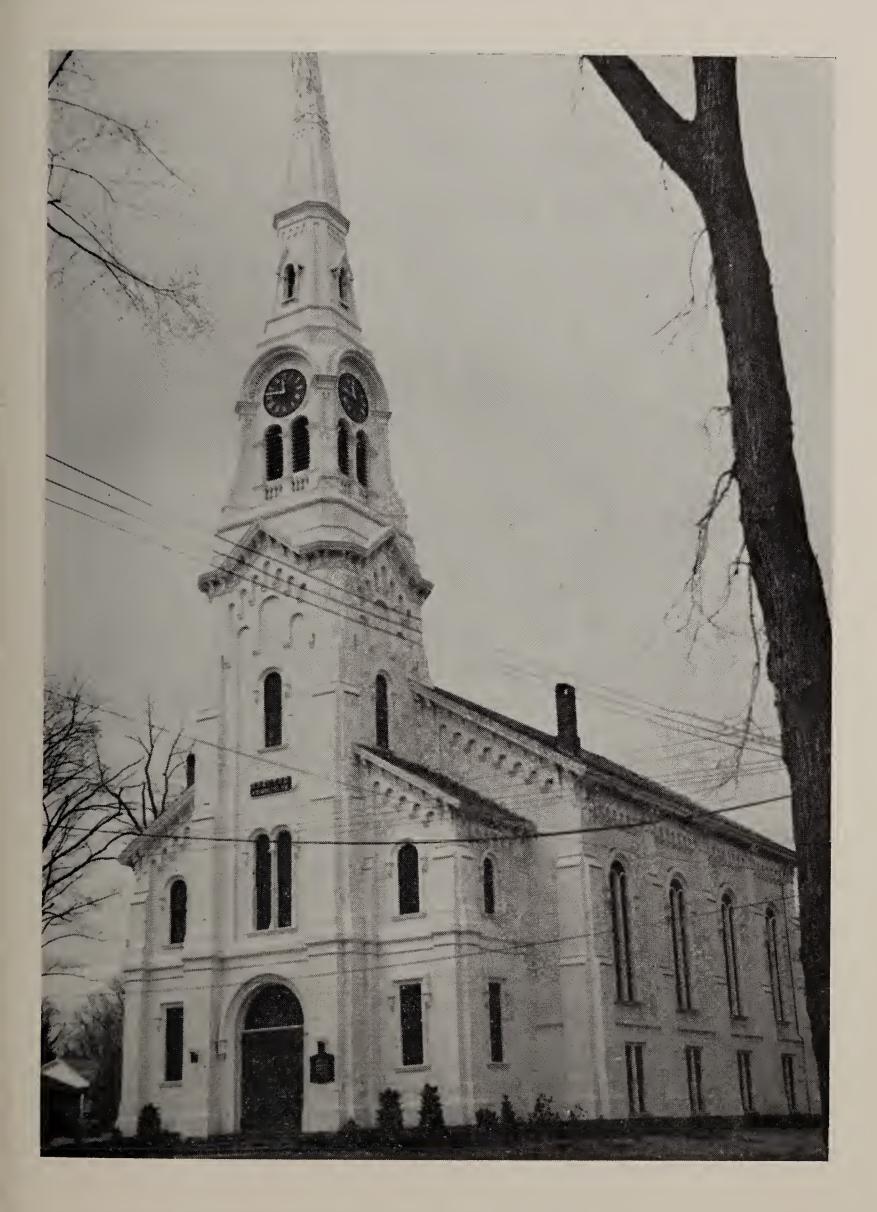


BRADSTREET HOUSE

Home of Gov. Simon Bradstreet and his wife, Anne Bradstreet, first poetress in America



In Memorial Park, site of North Andover's World War I memorial, clergy of all faiths have joined with townsfolk annually at exercises commemorating the end of World War I on November 11, 1918. Shown beside the impressive monument to the heroic veterans are pastors of four of the town's churches. From left to right, Rev. Donald D. Douglass, pastor of the First Methodist Church; Rev. Ernest A. Brown, Jr., minister of North Parish Church; Rt. Rev. Msgr. Francis L. Shea, pastor of St. Michael's Parish; and Rev. Alexander S. Twombly, rector of St. Paul's Episcopal Church. Rev. Clinton W. Carvell, pastor of Trinitarian Congregational Church, was unable to be present when this photo was taken.



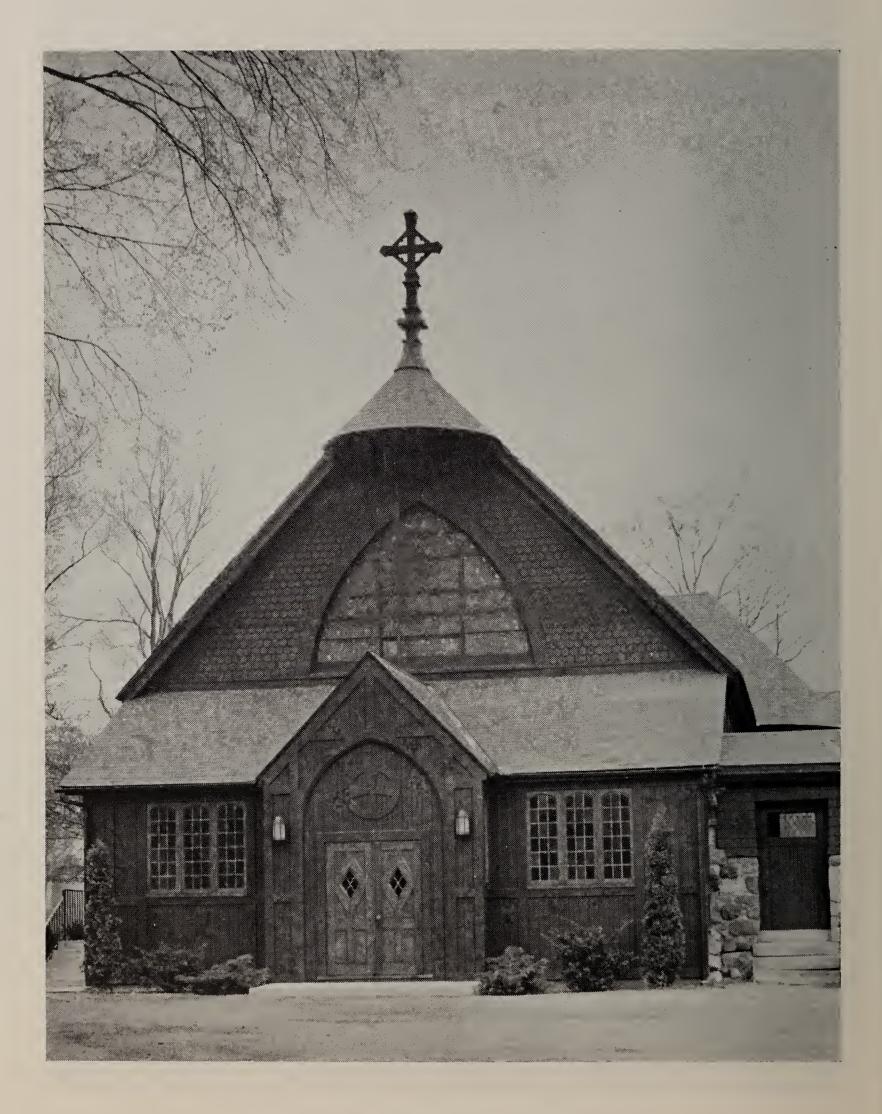
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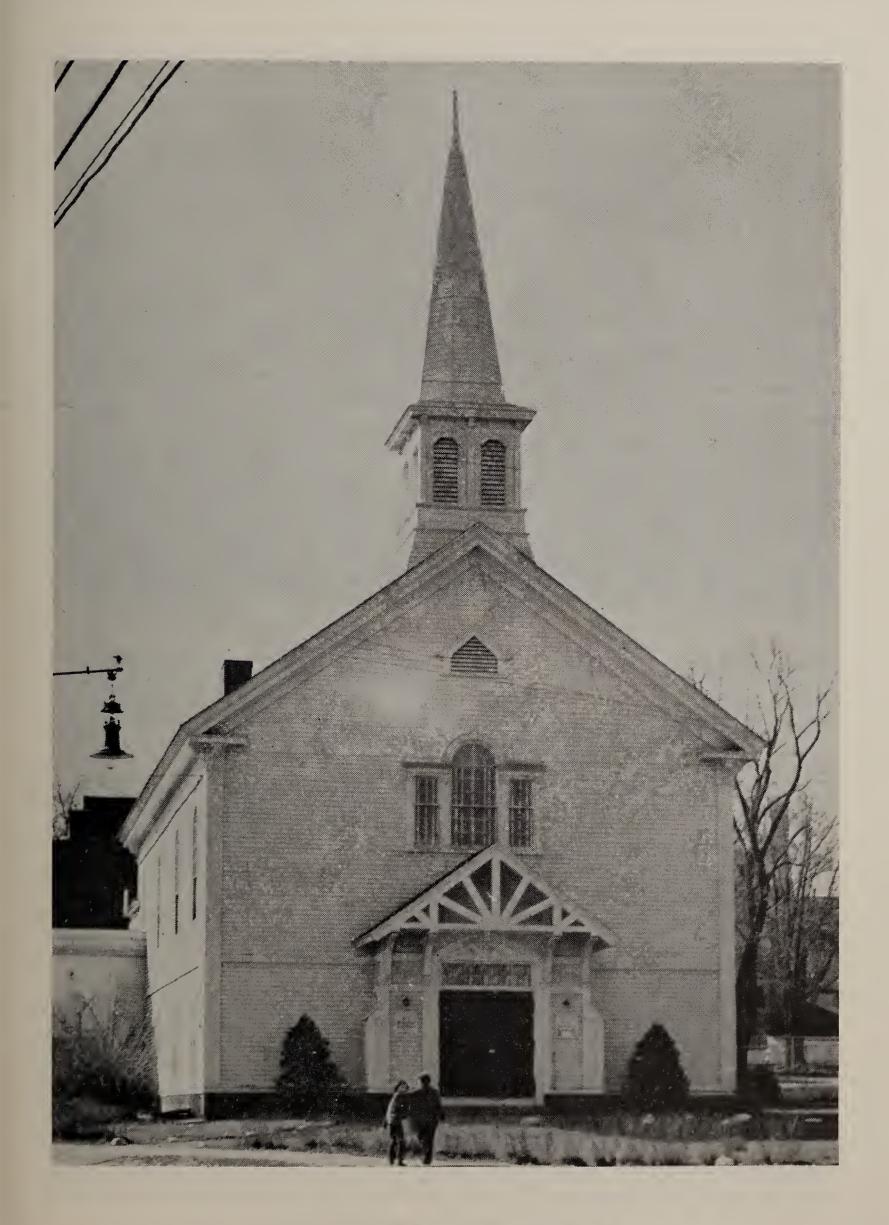
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